

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

**MAIL STOP RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or  
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/311,753
Confirmation Number	1662
Filing Date	May 14, 1999
First Named Inventor	INOUE, TSUYOSHI
Group Art Unit	1773
Examiner Name	Kevin M. Bernatz
Matter Number	Q54370

Title	SHEET FOR PROTECTING PAINT FILMS OF AUTOMOBILES
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☒ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a  
period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

Checks for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 and for Extension of Time of \$950.00 are attached. The USPTO is  
directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account  
No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter  
is attached.

**CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**

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CUSTOMER NUMBER

**SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY**

Name Fang Liu Registration No. 51,283

Signature  Date December 22, 2003



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q54370

INOUE, TSUYOSHI, et al.

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 24, 2003, and the Advisory Action dated October 7, 2003. A Petition and payment for a three-month extension of time are attached, making this Response due on or before December 24, 2003. An RCE is filed concurrently herewith. Entry of the Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed September 24, 2003 is not requested.

Please consider the following remarks.